

2017 Critical Days of Summer Newsletter

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WHY NOT?

California DWI & DUI Laws

According to the most recent California DUI statistics, alcohol was involved in 38.6% of all crash fatalities resulting in nearly 1,200 alcohol-involved fatalities in 2013. That may not seem like many, considering there were **more than 160,000 DUI arrests**, but once you realize that 1,200 people left behind their parents, siblings, children, spouses, friends, and other loved ones, the number becomes staggering.

Due to these high numbers, in 2011, California joined many other states by allowing the Department of Motor vehicles to immediately suspend the driver's license of anyone suspected of driving under the influence. This law, known as "Admin Per Se", enables law enforcement to confiscate a suspected offender's driver's license. The license is then sent to the DMV, where it is held until the predetermined suspension time is over or the charge is found to have no merit at a hearing.

IMPLIED CONSENT LAWS

Base drivers must agree to a chemical test of blood or breath whenever there is a reasonable cause to suspect that the driver is operating a vehicle under the influence of drugs or alcohol. Refusal to submit to such tests will result in immediate suspension of base driving privileges and the state in which driver's license is held may be notified of the suspension.

DRINKING AND DRIVING

If base drivers under the age of 21 have a blood alcohol content (BAC) of .01% or greater, base driving privileges will be revoked. If base drivers are over the age of 21 and have a (BAC) of .08% or greater, base driving privileges will be revoked. This revocation policy applies to all military installations. Further, the state in which driver's license is held may be notified of the suspension.

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California DUI Defined

California's **driving under the influence** (DUI) laws mirror that of the base law as far as the **blood alcohol concentration** (BAC) percentages is concerned. California also prohibits operating a commercial vehicle above 0.04% (BAC). The state's DUI laws **include medications**, too. You can't legally drive if you've consumed illegal drugs or:



- Excessive amounts of drugs with alcohol in them (such as cough syrup).
- Prescription and over the counter medication

DUI convictions stay on your driving record for 10 years.







The party ends?

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WHAT'S THE PLAN?

ARRIVE ALIVE! The Arrive Alive Program was implemented in an effort to reduce the number of active duty DUI arrests and alcohol related accidents within NRSW.

The Arrive Alive program has experienced tremendous growth since its FY 2008 inception.

The program is intended to be used as transportation for those service members **who have driven their vehicles** and are faced with the decision to drive while impaired.





DrinkingAndDriving.Org and Uber are partnering to make sure you never allow yourself to be the Passenger of a drunk driver! If your ride home has been drinking, please do NOT get in the car with them. Your first Uber ride is free up to \$20 using the DrinkingAndDriving.Org code "<u>DADO</u>"

The National Directory of Designated Driver Services (NDDDS)

LAST UPDATED 3/30/17 1233 listings - 832 Counties - 42 States

Designated Driver Services are those companies that will drive you AND your car home safely! Read all about how to use one and see if one is available in locally by checking the most complete list of Designated Driver Services anywhere.



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Links/ Resources

- California DMV Statistics (DUI Fact Sheet)
 - o https://www.dmv.ca.gov/portal/dmv/detail/pubs/media center/statistics
- California DUI Arrest Information
 - https://www.dmv.ca.gov/portal/dmv/detail/dl/driversafety/dsalcohol
- California DUI Laws
 - o http://www.california-drunkdriving.org/laws.html
- Uber
 - o http://www.uber.com
- Lyft
 - o https://www.lyft.com
- Drinking and Driving Prevention
 - o http://www.drinkinganddriving.org
- National Directory of Designated Driver Services (NDDDS)
 - o http://www.drinkinganddriving.org/designated-driver-services







Drinking and driving - There are stupider things, but it's a very short list.

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